

MINUTES  
WINNEBAGO COUNTY EMERGENCY BOARD  
204 S. FIRST STREET, ROCKFORD IL  
August 10, 2021

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Todd Stockburger.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Present: Todd Stockburger, Adam Truman, Joel Hallstrom, E. J. Dilonardo, Don Shoevlin, Don Carlson and Chuck Lynde (remote)  
Guest: Elizabeth Russell, Mark Karner, Pete Sotos, Justin Anderson, Joel Givens and Sandy Stansell  
Absent: Joe Corl, Randy Berke and Gary Caruana

**III. MINUTES**

Chairman Stockburger asked for a motion to approve the minutes. **Motion:** Don Shoevlin made a motion to approve minutes; Joel Hallstrom seconded motion. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

**IV. FINANCIALS**

There were additional charges for the purchase of individual handsets or headsets for each dispatcher because of COVID. Stockburger advised that each person has their own for safety purposes. **Motion:** Joel Hallstrom made a motion to approve the financials and Adam Truman seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous vote

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**Call Volume/Answering Report**

Reports were distributed to members. City advised that they added TDD/text calls to the list.

**Fire Dispatching from County 911**

Mark Karner advised board members that the county is moving forward on their center providing fire dispatch services. Currently they are in negotiations with Loves Park and North Park Fire Depts and will be working on IGA's with these departments. Karner also talked about the four phases their 911 Center is or will be anticipating: First, the appointment of their new director, hiring of a new dispatcher a(there were 124 applicants for 1

position), the remodeling of the 911 center beginning Sept 21<sup>st</sup> and adding consolettes for fire and finally training for new dispatcher.

#### **New County 911 Director**

Mark Karner announced the appointment of their new 911 Director, Jeanine Kaplan who will begin in that position on August 23, 2021.

#### **911 Budget**

Elizabeth Russell reviewed the budget highlights that were provided to the ETSB. In October, the county 911 center will be getting new Lieberts and the budget also was reflective of the purchase of 4 new dispatch positions. Russell also stated that the budget is heavier due to the remodeling at both centers but will drop down in 2023. Chairman Todd Stockburger also informed the ETSB of the need for a full-time support tech to add assistance and would serve as a counterpart for Mike Dyson. There was a discussion and a vote was taken.

**Motion:** Joel Hallstrom made a motion to proceed with the appointment of a full-time support tech. Don Shoefflin seconded the motion. Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

### **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

#### **NG911 Project**

Sandy Stansell reported that there are still counties remaining for the installation of equipment/Phase I cutover. Stansell also advised that Solacom was tentatively scheduling County 911 Phase 2 cutover in September but were advised of the remodeling that will be occurring. Solacom will work around those dates.

#### **Telephone Line update**

This is an ongoing process. No new information at this time

### **VII. NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT**

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday September 14, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. – Rockford Fire Headquarters/Commissioners Room-204 S. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Rockford, IL 61104

**Motion:** A motion was made to adjourn at 9:31 a.m. by Don Carlson  
Motion Carried.